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Monthly Club Meetings (second Monday* of each month) commence at 7.30pm, please bring plate of supper to share. *Check club calendar for correct date.

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A Word from GB



Hi Members and Friends,

By the time you are reading this Journal Easter will have come and gone, the F1 race in Melbourne will have taken place and the Super Cars will have also raced for points at the same meeting. I hope you and your families had a happy Easter and enjoyed the time off.

Later on this year we will celebrate our 65th year for the club. Who would have thought the club would be still going 65 years on and still quite strong. The club has gone through a lot of changes in the previous years, but has had a special group of people who have had the sight to keep the enthusiasm of club events rolling out each month.

When I look back at the records the club has only had 12 different Presidents over the 65 years. Some have served several times in the 65 Years. Celebrations are in the making so watch out for the time and place when party time is announced .

We are also looking at covering part of the lawn are so we can continue to have our BBQ days/nights under cover. Part of this project is to cover in the end of the spares shed to give the Spare Parts Manager more room in storing spare parts. Having to enlarge our spare parts area shows that restoration of the Austin 7 is still alive and well.

We have had a number of Guest speakers over the past months and I would like to thank those who have suggested these people. If you have any more that you believe would be good for the members please let me know, and I will follow your suggestion up.

To any members who are on the sick list we wish you a speedy recovery.

I would like you to all join in with me in welcoming the following new members and wish them a long and enjoyable time within the club.

Brandon Ballinger-Mason
James Dantalís
Wyndham House
HPS Investments International

Paul Laoutaris
Clement Lasscock
Peter Lenthall
Craig Needs

Davin Umlauf
Daniel Waldhunter
Michael Samuel
David Meakes

Graham Buesnel
President

Austin 7 Club of SA Inc Club Calendar for 2018

April 2018

- 17 Leisure Run to Old Noarlunga Hotel
- 21/22 McLaren Vale Vint & Classic Event
- 21/28 Pre War Austin 7 Run to Broken Hill

May 2018

- 6 HMVC British Classics Victor Harbor, bookings close 18 April, feature is "Austin of England"
- 7 Committee Meeting
- 14 Monthly Club Meeting
- 20 Monthly Club Run
- 22 A7 Leisure Run
- 26/27 42nd Historic Winton
- 27 Modern Regularity R2
- 28 A7 Technical Night

June 2018

- 4 Committee Meeting
- 9/11 Border Run to SA/Vic Border, this year to Horsham, please see article below for more details.
- 18 Monthly Club Meeting
- 24 Modern Regularity R3
- 25 A7 Technical Night
- 26 A7 Leisure Run

July 2018

- 2 Committee Meeting
- 9 Monthly Club Meeting
- 15 Hills Luncheon "By the Sea"
- 23 A7 Technical Night
- 24 A7 Leisure Run
- 29 Modern Regularity R4

August 2018

- 6 Committee Meeting
- 13 Monthly Club Meeting
- 19 Monthly Club Run
- 21 A7 Leisure Run
- 27 A7 Technical Night

September 2018

- 1 Old Car Day at Bethany
- 3 Committee Meeting
- 10 Monthly and Annual General Meetings
- 16 Monthly Club Run
- 16 Modern Regularity R5
- 18 A7 Leisure Run
- 24 A7 Technical Night
- 30 Bay to Birdwood Run

October 2018

- 3 Committee Meeting
- 6/7 Riverland Rally - "Renmark River Run"
- 8 Monthly Club Meeting
- 16 A7 Leisure Run
- 22 A7 Technical Night
- 28 65th Birthday Celebration at the Clubrooms

November 2018

- 5 Committee Meeting
- 11 Monthly Club Run
- 12 Monthly Club Meeting
- 13 A7 Leisure Run
- 17/18 Bendigo Swap Meet
- 18 Modern Regularity R6
- 26 A7 Technical Night & Run

December 2018

- 1 Subs & Log Book Day at the Clubrooms 10am to 2pm
- 3 Committee Meeting
- 4 A7 Leisure Run
- 9 Subs & Log Book Day at the Clubrooms 10am to 2pm
- 9 Christmas Function
- 10 Monthly Club Meeting

January 2019

- 7 Committee Meeting
- 14 Monthly Club Meeting
- 19 Annual A7/TTM End-of-Season Dinner

2018 SA/Vic Austin 7 Border Run to Horsham.

Over the Queen's Birthday long weekend 9/11 June 2018 we are staying at the Best Westlander Motel located at 100 Stawell Road Horsham. The cost for the weekend is \$400 per double or \$300 for a single. There is plenty of parking for trailers and there is a common room available. The cost per person includes two nights accommodation, two dinners of 2 courses alternate drop, dessert tea & coffee, one fully cooked breakfast Sunday and one continental breakfast Monday, and use of common room including tea/coffee. Please advise David Searles if you intend coming on this event as soon as practicable.

Anyone wishing to leave Adelaide a day earlier and staying at the Lacepede Bay Motel at Kingston on Friday 8 June should also advise David Searles on dsearles10@bigpond.com at your earliest.

Austin 7 Club of SA Inc

Hills Luncheon (with a SEACHANGE)

Meet at 10.00 am for Morning tea at the Austin 7 Clubrooms at Seaton followed by a run to Glenelg for an

A la Carte lunch with Garlic Bread, a choice of 5 main course items, and choice of 2 desserts at the

GLENELG SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB
 Colley Terrace GLENELG (near bumper boats)
 SUNDAY 15th JULY 2018
 Midday
 \$30 per person

CAR PARKING...BRING \$4 IN GOLD COINS

Enter the Wilson underground car park off Colley Terrace, Glenelg
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DO NOT PAY UNTIL

you use the stairs to ground level, enter the GRLSC foyer where there is a parking machine, follow the instructions on the machine, pay \$4 cash or use your card (fee).

The Club's Hills Luncheon on Sunday 15 July 2018, normally up there in the hills is coming down to the seaside, more particular the Glenelg Surf Lifesaving Club, at Glenelg where the sand hills used to be. When you arrive and pay for a ticket, a whole new world of what has gone on down at "The Bay" will await you. Cost is \$30.00 per person, and our Treasurer will gladly write a receipt for you and give you a ticket (or Two) after you have paid.

.....AND LATER ON IN THE YEAR!

Austin 7 Club's 65th Birthday celebration will be held at the clubrooms on 28th October 2018, this is an amended date from what is shown in the calendar of events booklet.

The day will consist of a display of club vehicles, a deluxe barbecue lunch and social afternoon tea.

There is no cost to members for this event but there will be an entry form to fill out for catering purposes and for vehicle parking AND there will be a limit of 80 persons who can be accommodated in the clubrooms for this event.

Vehicles to be parked in the clubrooms area will be judged under categories

- *Best Vintage Austin 7 (up to 1931)*
- *Best Post Vintage Austin 7 & Big 7 (1931 to 1938)*
- *Best Austin 7 Sports*
- *An Austin 7 that you would like to own (but not any of the three above, or the one you already own)*
- *Best other Club Registered vehicle*
- *Best Modern Regularity vehicle*

Please mark your calendar with this date. An entry form will be in the next Journals along with a request for a few people to assist with the barbecue, parking marshals, setting up the hall and assistance in the kitchen.

So, don't forget it's free but we need to know if you're coming.

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Club regalia for sale:



The club has a variety of items of interest to members which are available from the Treasurer each meeting at the clubrooms.

Austin 7 Club Decal small:	\$1.00
Austin 7 Club Decal large	\$2.00
Austin script hat/lapel badge:	\$3.00
Austin 7 Club Cap	\$12.50
Austin 7 Club Hat	\$15.00
Austin 7 Club Badge Metal Radiator	\$22.00
Austin 7 Club 50 th year history book:	\$20.00
Austin 7 Short Sleeve Yellow Polo Shirt:	\$20.00 sizes M,L,XL & XXL
Austin 7 Short Sleeve Dark Blue Polo Shirt	\$34.00 sizes S,M,L,XL & XXL.
Austin 7 Long Sleeve Polar Fleece Jumpers:	\$45.00 sizes in stock S,M,L,XL & XXL.
Track Time Motorsport Cap	\$10.00
Track Time Motorsport Polo Shirt	\$34.00
Austin 7 Lubrication Chart, Laminated	\$20.00 (available from A7 spares shed)

Correction:

In the last Journals the caption for the article on Elfin Streamliners the photograph on left mentioned Bruce Went #21 & Garrie Cooper #22 should be: Rob Brosnam #21, Bruce Went in overalls & Garrie Cooper #22. Thanks to Bruce Went in pointing out the anomaly.



Wrap-up of the 2017 Season of TTM Modern Regularity:



There were 98 competitors who competed for the TTM Trophy compared with 103 last year which was down from our high of 109 in 2015. There were 14 in the Rookies series back down to 2015 number from a high of 17 Rookies last year and Six Open Wheelers way down from 15 in 2016. This resulted in the cancellation of their last round. Nine in the BMW challenge, and a further 16 in the

November JDP/Rookies group (2 also competed in BMW Challenge), resulting in 137 individuals who took to the track over the year one up from last year

Rookies

Therefore after

- 🔗 71 laps of competition
- 🔗 gaining 1049 points
- 🔗 Leaving an average of 14.77 points per lap.
- 🔗 Leaving Alec DONNON winning the rookie series with 296 series points.

2nd was Melanie Trudgen with 174 series points.

3rd Caitlin Howie scoring 92 points



Alec,



Melanie



Caitlin

TTM

Therefore after

- 🔗 171 laps of competition
- 🔗 gaining 3136 points
- 🔗 Leaving an average of 18.34 points per lap. Which is a reflection of the changeable weather we have had this year
- 🔗 Leaving the series winner with 285 series points as Noel Harris.

Considering Noel didn't finish the third lap of the first heat of the year and then failed to start the second heat his year certainly took a turn for the better.

2nd was Jason Thiele with 248.67 series points.

3rd Sandy Watters who had a great mid season recovering from her quick left turn out of turn 3 scored 240.67 points.



Wrap-up of the 2017 Season of TTM Modern Regularity:

Championship Round 5

🔊 on the 30th July round 5 was held on a Fine & Cold day.

Scoring a total of 96 points for 22 laps resulting in an average of 4.36 points per lap, the new Club Champion was Richard Bailey.

🔊 2nd was a Paul Taylor with 98 points.

🔊 and 3rd was Sandy Watters again losing out in a count back in a championship as she also had 98 points. Last year Sandy came second in the Championship to Jackson Lomas on a count back. Count back goes back to the first heat and 1 point, i.e. 1/10 second error, separated them that time. This time, if she was 7.4 milli seconds faster on one of her laps, she would have been second. If on another lap she was 9.2 milli seconds faster she would have won from Richard on a count back. This combined 16.6 milli seconds is less time than it takes for my voice to get to the other side of this room. (but not enough time to put your fingers in your ears!). Count backs have featured in the placings for the last three championships.



Richard



Paul



Sandy

Ladies

Of course we also had a ladies trophy sponsored by Darryl Brigg. Six women competed in the main group with points being awarded for the ladies trophy over four selected rounds during the season. There were also a further seven in the other groups making a total of 13 women out of the 137 competitors or 9.5%

This year it was a very close competition with,

🔊 Sandy WATTERS won the ladies competition with 31 points.

🔊 Kristen Bailey again second with 30 points.

🔊 from Michelle Wegener with 28 points.



Sandy



Kristen



Michelle

Thank you to everyone involved and participated in the 2017 TTM Modern Regularity series.

Tony Morgan

ALL BRITISH DAY - Echunga Oval 11 February 2018

The Austin 7 Club attended the 34th All British Day with about 20 vehicles parking with the club. The diverse nature of vehicles displayed on the day was borne out by two examples of Austin 7's in their unrestored state which were the centre of attention on our plot for most of the day and three Austin 1800's. The All British Day for 2018 had 858 entries which was the largest number of entries since its inception. In 2019 it's all about Britain's contribution to racing and motorsport.



ALL BRITISH DAY - Echunga Oval 11 February 2018



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Club members who entered and parked with the Austin 7 Club, there were a few non attendances by members

46	Sam Appleyard	1984	Daimler	Double Six
47	Scott Appleyard	1950	Austin	A90 Atlantic
48	David Berry	1970	Austin	1800 Ute
49	John Birrell	1957	Austin	A95
50	David Bourne	1964	Morris	Mini
51	Darryl Byfield	1929	Austin	7 Wasp
52	Steven Connell	1969	Austin	1800
53	James Davies	1965	Morris	1100
54	Andrew Dawes	1928	Austin	Seven
55	Les Dienhoffr	1954	Austin	Hereford A70
56	Peter Dover	1927	Austin	7 Ute
57	David Grear	1929	Austin	7
58	David Grear	1928	Austin	7
59	Merawyn Hocking	1973	Jensen	Healey
60	Rick Hoffman	1938	Austin	Big 7
61	Martin Lewis	1946	Austin	16
62	Neil Maslin	1966	Morris	Mini Cooper S
63	Neil Maslin	1936	Austin	7 Tourer
64	Ronald Schache	1958	Wolseley	1500
65	David Searles	1967	Austin	1800
66	Wolf Semler	1937	Austin	7 Ruby
67	Graham Thorpe	1944	Austin	Eight Tourer
68	Timothy Williams	1935	Austin	Ruby



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CLUB REGISTRATION FOR MEMBERS' VEHICLES.

A special note to club members regarding Log Books:

The Log Book issued to you under the Club Registration scheme from the Austin 7 Club lasts for three years, ie up to the end of the third December from the date issued.

A record of when a log book is to be replaced will be written on the front cover indicating when you are required to get a new log book. If you store or fail to re-register a vehicle for any period during the life of the log book, the log book will still expire at the end of the third year from the date of its issue - there are no extensions.

The log book is proof of your membership of the Austin 7 Club, and you must have it signed each year by an authorised officer of the Club as soon as practicable after you have paid your subscription for the coming year. This is one of the conditions of the Club Registration scheme, and you should not drive your vehicle until this is done. A list of authorised officers for club registration appears in this Journals.

By now you would have paid your subscriptions for 2018, however if you have not updated your log book please do so at the next Club meeting or Technical night, David Garnett is available in the spares shed most meetings to sign your log book.



Left Hand Drive Vehicles over 30 years old are covered under the same Club Registration Scheme as most of our right hand drive vehicles and Log Books are issued accordingly. However there are further requirements for these vehicles as per the following Vehicle Standards Fact Sheet. Owners of Left Hand Drive Vehicles registered through the Austin 7 Club are requested to contact the Club Registrar, David Garnett in order that we can properly identify these vehicles for our records.

Left-hand drive vehicles

Vehicle Standards Fact Sheet

MR629

06/17



This fact sheet applies as of 1 July 2017 to left-hand drive vehicles with a gross vehicle mass less than or equal to 4.5 tonnes. It provides guidance information on the eligibility criteria for granting left-hand drive exemptions for vehicle registration.

It is the vehicle owner's responsibility to read this document carefully and conform to the requirements in this fact sheet.

Under South Australian legislation, a motor vehicle must be right-hand drive. A right-hand drive vehicle is defined as having at least one steering control to the right of the vehicle's longitudinal centre line. However, it is recognised that the historic character of older vehicles may be compromised by converting it to right-hand drive.

The Minister for Transport and Infrastructure has approved the issue of left-hand drive exemptions for left-hand drive vehicles that are 30 years of age or older as from 1 January of the year of vehicle manufacture. The exemption must be obtained as a pre-requisite to these vehicles being granted registration in South Australia.

Eligibility for left-hand drive exemption

Two types of left-hand drive exemptions are available in South Australia:

- Single trip left-hand drive exemption.
- Unrestricted left-hand drive exemption.

Single trip left-hand drive exemption

This exemption allows a single nominated trip of a left-hand drive vehicle under given conditions.

The use of this exemption is limited to trips related to initial delivery, government inspection and conversion to right hand drive. The exemption **cannot** be used for road testing or other purposes.

The driver must carry the exemption in the vehicle at all times and it must be used in conjunction with:

- single day registration permit; or
- trade plate, where applicable.

The exemption application ([MR851](#)) can be downloaded at <http://www.sa.gov.au> and submitted to Vehicle Standards via fax on 08 8348 9533 or email at dpt.vehiclestandards@sa.gov.au.

If you have any inquiries please contact Vehicle Standards on 1300 882 248.

Unrestricted left-hand drive exemption

This exemption allows registration and operation of a left-hand drive vehicle that is 30 years of age or older as from 1 January of the year of vehicle manufacture.

The driver must carry the exemption in the vehicle at all times and it must be used in conjunction with:

- Full or historic registration;
- Single day registration permit; or
- Trade plate, where applicable.

For the exemption to be issued, the vehicle must meet the requirements in this fact sheet and pass both identification and roadworthy inspections undertaken in South Australia.

Inspection

Please note an identification inspection **must** be undertaken and completed **prior to** a roadworthy inspection being started.

Identification inspection

Identification inspections **do not** require a booking.

Identification inspections are undertaken at any of the following locations:

- 7 Naweena Road, Regency Park
 - 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM
 - Monday to Friday (close on public holidays)
- Unit 2/7 Ellemsea Circuit, Lonsdale
 - 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM and 1:00 PM and 3:00 PM
 - Wednesday and Thursday (close on public holidays)

The information about identification stations can be found from Fact Sheet [MR1561](#).

Roadworthy inspection

Roadworthy inspections require a booking by telephoning Service SA on 13 10 84.

Roadworthy inspections are undertaken at:

- 13 Kateena Street, Regency Park

Country inspections can be arranged in regional areas.

A copy of the Import Approval documents issued by the Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development (DIRD) must be supplied and retained by the inspecting officer at the time of inspection, in addition to any requested engineering certification.

Vehicle modifications

Left-hand drive vehicles may be modified from their original design and exemptions from legislative requirements for the modification/s may be required. This is for cases where the modifications make a vehicle non-compliant with vehicle standards legislation.

Please refer to the requirements and processes detailed in Fact Sheet [MR1457](#) on vehicle modifications for guidance and contact Vehicle Standards, as required.

General requirements

The vehicle must comply with the following requirements, regardless of the year of manufacture, in addition to the requirements in the *South Australian Road Traffic Act 1961 and its Regulations*.

Mirrors

- A left-hand drive vehicle must be fitted with both left and right-hand side external mirrors.

Lighting

- Headlamps must be fitted with a dipping device to deflect the light projected from the headlamps downwards or downwards and to the left.
- Front parking lights must be white or yellow and rear parking lights must be red.
- A red rear facing reflector must be mounted either side at the rear of the vehicle at right angles to the road surface.
- Vehicles manufactured after August 1966 but prior 1 July 1973 must be fitted with red or yellow rear indicator lamps and white or yellow front indicator lamps.
- Vehicles manufactured on or after July 1973 must be fitted with yellow front and rear indicator lamps.
- For vehicles manufactured after December 1969, the parking lights must also be on when the headlamps are switched on.

Seat belt and seat belt anchorage

- All seat belts must be fitted in accordance with either the vehicle or seatbelt manufacturer's requirements.
- If lap/ sash seat belts are required to be fitted and the vehicle has insufficient original anchorage points a report from a Light Vehicle Engineering Signatory ([MR426](#)) may be required on the additional anchorage points.

Requirements specific to the year of manufacture

The vehicle will also need to comply with certain requirements specific to the year of manufacture, in addition to **General requirements**.

Vehicle built before 1 January 1967

- There are no requirements for seat belts to be fitted to the vehicle.
- If seat belts are fitted they must comply with at least Australian Standard (AS) E35-1935 or AS 2596-83 and be fitted correctly.

Vehicle built between 1 January 1967 and 31 December 1968

- Seat belts for front outboard positions complying with at least Australian Standard (AS) E35 – 1935 or AS 2596 – 83.
- Lap or lap/sash seat belts are acceptable and must be fitted correctly.

Vehicle built between 1 January 1969 and 31 December 1970

- Seat belts for all front seating positions complying with at least ADR 4.
- Lap/sash seat belts for outboard positions and lap seat belts for the inboard position.
- All seat belts to have non-partial engagement type buckles.

Further information

Call 1300 882 248

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Modern Regularity 25 February 2018 Mallala Motorsport Park

TTM Trophy #1							
REGULARITY							
25 February 2018							
							
Name			E1	E2	E3	E4	Total
			6 Laps	5 Laps	7 Laps	5 Laps	23 Laps
1	95	Kristen BAILEY	26	37	16	7	86
2	24	Stephen DRURY	28	20	26	12	86
3	36	Sandy WATTERS	12	9	73	9	103
4	30	Brett WATTERS	31	35	29	26	121
5	93	Susan GLASSON	18	29	74	14	135
6	37	Jordan JOHNSTON	56	26	38	25	145
7	46	Michelle WEGENER	27	31	84	28	170
8	67	Darryl BRIGG	20	86	26	55	187
9	10	John ELLIS	29	29	81	52	191
10	76	Alec DONNON	29	37	81	49	196
11	77	Andrew BAOHM	109	51	20	19	199
12	17	Peter PANOPOULOS	69	45	73	17	204
13	5	Andrew MCKIGGAN	17	32	80	87	216
14	72	Anthony VERNER	86	16	69	52	223
15	78	Neil MARTIN	42	31	108	51	232
16	66	Philip SCADDING	64	54	67	48	233
17	98	David HOPPER	32	90	110	22	254
18	69	Colin TUCKER	68	21	123	48	260
19	53	Jason THIELE	48	152	27	39	266
20	70	Paul TAYLOR	124	46	91	48	309
21	8	Geoff STEPHENS	227	53	54	26	360
22	12	Matthew TOTANI	212	40	65	46	363
23	44	Craig MARSHMAN	227	99	52	15	393
24	21	Colin GENDERS	58	33	247	58	396
25	61	John TILLER	101	250	68	30	449
26	32	Peter TRUDGEN	87	67	80	267	501
27	88	Ryan BAILEY	99	265	91	51	506
28	26	Lisa TOTANI	154	76	247	97	574
29	34	Barry HILL	199	94	189	118	600
30	23	Henry BOWDEN	145	180	50	267	642
31	64	Dylan FLEGO	89	76	415	159	739
32	97	Greg WENZEL	227	135	178	267	807
33	79	Noel HARRIS	140	42	400	252	834
34	15	Colin CORNELIUS	100	60	415	267	842
35	35	Antony RODDA	227	27	415	267	936
36	90	Peter NELSON	56	265	415	267	1003
37	73	Duane GENT	227	265	415	267	1174

Modern Regularity 25 February 2018 Mallala Motorsport Park



#23 Henry Bowden



#79 Noel Harris



#95 Kristen Bailey



#15 Colin Cornelius



#64 Dylan Flego



#34 Barry Hill



#61 John Tiller



#30 Brett Watters

Modern Regularity 25 February 2018 Mallala Motorsport Park



#67 Darryl Brigg



#93 Susan Glasson



#35 Antony Rodda



#46 Michelle Wegener



#69 Colin Tucker looking as though he was heading for trouble with a bit of understeer.

2018 Modern Regularity - TTM Trophy Round 1, 25th February 2018

A fine Mallala day was the setting for the opening round of this year's TTM Trophy. It was a day of records, with 8 ladies entered - 4 in the main entry and 4 in the Rookies - and to make the day more memorable,

EVERY REGULARITY EVENT WAS WON BY A FEMALE!!

Heat 1 – 6 laps: Sandy Watters *Peugeot 206 Gti* 12 pts won from Andrew McKiggan *Toyota Corolla* 17 pts and Susan Glasson *Peugeot 206 Gti* 18 pts.

Heat 2 – 5 laps: Sandy Watters 9 pts won from Anthony Verner *Mercedes Benz SLK 320* 16 pts and Stephen Drury *Mazda RX7* 20 pts.

Heat 3 - 7 laps: Kristen Bailey *Hyundai Excel* 16 pts won from Andrew Baohm *Ford Mustang* 20 pts and Stephen Drury 26 pts.

Heat 4 - 5 laps: Kristen Bailey 7 pts won from Sandy Watters 9 pts and Stephen Drury 12 pts.

The leaders in the **TTM Trophy** are – Kristen Bailey 86 pts; Stephen Drury 86 pts (on a count-back) and Sandy Watters 103 pts. The Rookie females also “excelled”.

Heat 1 – 4 laps: Lauren Bailey *Hyundai Excel* 109 pts won from Nikita Stacey *Hyundai Elantra* 118 pts and Kate Stephens *Hyundai Excel* 240 pts.

Heat 2 – 4 laps: Nikita Stacey 58 pts won from Katrina Nitschke *Peugeot 206* 81 pts and Kate Stephens 138 pts.

Heat 3 - 5 laps: Nikita Stacey 60 pts won from Lauren Bailey 120 pts and Kate Stephens 153 pts.

Heat 4 - 5 laps: Katrina Nitschke 44 pts won from Kate Stephens 78 pts and Lauren Bailey 111 pts.

Overall placings were: Lauren Bailey 511 pts; Nikita Stacey 589 pts; Katrina Nitschke 599 pts; Kate Stephens 609 pts and Chris Taylor 1431 pts.

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2018 ADELAIDE 500 Report

There is a saying in motorsport that “*To finish FIRST - First you have to FINISH!*” At this year's Adelaide 500, racing in the Improved Production class, Club member Brett Watters varied this to be “*To win a trophy, First you have to finish*”. Brett drove steadily, avoiding mayhem on the track where several crashes during the 4 races for this category were quite serious, causing major damage. He finished every race and thus finished in third place (from 4 others) in the Under 2 Litre class.

These photos show his style on the track in his Peugeot 206Gti and posing with his third place trophy: from L to R are Brett (3rd), Ian Price NSW (1ST) and Wade Reynolds SA (2nd).

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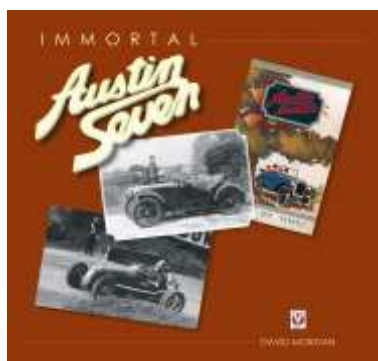
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The Vintage Sports Car Club's display day at Keswick Sunday 18 March 2018

A half a dozen or so members assembled at the clubrooms for morning tea before heading off to Keswick to display their vehicles. Entry was free and the display was split into categories, viz Veterans and Vintage in the front rows and post-vintage & classics and moderns in the back rows. After lunch a few of us headed off to the Spangler Hall at Cowandilla for a cuppa. An easy day out enjoyed by members who have an interest in driving and enjoying their vehicles. It'll be on again next year, how about coming along.



Yellow always stands out even when your car is small.

Austin 7 Club Technical Night Monday 26 March 2018



The Austin 7 Club Technical Night started with a sausage sizzle on the new barbecue co-inciding with the spares shed being open for business. Later in the Clubrooms Peter Lee spoke on his restoration of his 1932 Austin 7 Roadster which he had brought out from England.





Peter's 1932 Austin 7 outside by itself whilst it was being talked about inside.

From Austin 7 Journals July 1975

New Motor Sport Complex at Tailem Bend

71 drivers, enthusiasts and trade house representatives recently attended a meeting to hear a report of the Steering Committee which is made up of members from clubs affiliated with CAMS. Reported progress at this stage was that a lease has been signed on the property for 10 years, a Club has been formed and incorporated, and called "S.A. MOTOR RACING CLUB INC." A plan of the track has been drawn up and approval from CAMS has been obtained to build the circuit. It was pointed out to those attending that this track would be a welcome addition to the already existing facilities in S.A. with particular reference to circuit racing. Rallycross would be the revival of this type of activity as Rallycross only enjoyed three meetings about two years ago and was subsequently shelved.

After the meeting had been in progress for about 1½ hours, the people present were asked if, on the information presented to them, they considered the proposal to build the track was feasible. The meeting was unanimously in favour of continuing, which was most gratifying to the Steering Committee. It was necessary to get this support from the meeting as those attending are the people who will eventually become members of the "S.A. Motor Racing Club Inc." Fifty persons gave their names to join the Club plus 30 names previously which makes things look good; the only thing is that membership fees are coming in slowly. The sooner memberships are paid the sooner the circuit can be started. Membership is \$100 joining fee and \$10 subscription. At this stage it is anticipated the first Rallycross meeting will be about April/May 1976.

This new Club is being formed only to build the circuit - the meetings will be run by the various Car Clubs.

Ian Motley

Sec. of Steering Committee
S.A. Motor Racing Club Inc.



Ralph Silins in Vauxhall Viva being pursued by Steve Wright in Isuzu Bellett which featured dual wheels on the back axle for better grip, on the Tailem Bend Rallycross track.

A step back in time: Looking at Australian Motor Sport from the 1961 CAMS yearbook

The CAMS was established to govern Australian motorsport in 1953 (see p11 of **A7CSA 50 year publication** for background information to this) and in the opening report this 1961 yearbook began thus:

"1960 has witnessed a remarkable growth of motor sport in Australia. Much of its great and growing popularity has been due to the victory in the World's Championship, for the second successive year, of Jack Brabham, the most modest, thorough and capable of drivers. Through his victories, even the most conservative of daily papers in Australia has been forced to recognise at last that there are other sports apart from those to which they devote so much space. Not that the growth of motor sport here owes anything to the daily newspapers; it has prospered despite press indifference and hostility, and largely because of the enthusiasm of its own participants and organisers. But the one medium of mass information in Australia has consistently given motor racing adequate, prompt and intelligent coverage – television, especially the sporting service of the ABC. For this, and for their valued award of "Sportsman of the Year" for 1959 to Jack Brabham, all CAMS members are enduringly grateful to the ABC."

Following on were listed the CAMS affiliated clubs by States – SA had 8 (including our Club) – and gave statistics on membership and affiliation. There were 123 clubs with over 16, 000 members: by overall percentage SA ranked third with 1622 members, after Victoria 6586 and NSW 5114 BUT SA ranked first when comparing average membership of Clubs – SA 202, Vic 198, Tas 188, Qld 111, NSW 87 and WA 75.

The yearbook listed all the coming major sporting events in Australia – racing, trials etc – and had this to say about the leading race tracks.

"...since the 1960 Yearbook, the Fishermen's Bend (Victoria) circuit has been abandoned...however it is expected that at least Lakeside (Qld) and Towac and Catalina Park (NSW) will stage races later this year. Minor country circuits continue to be popular: Hume Weir, Undeera, Dooen and Winton (Vic) are examples, and the former RAAF airstrip at Ballarat will be used for the first time since 1952. The outstanding event of the year....is the new circuit at Warwick Farm near Liverpool NSW. The first International meeting of the 1961 season will be held there in January".

Then followed details of all the existing race tracks, with a map of each and relevant info – location, distance, lap record etc, including **Port Wakefield SA** – 60 miles from Adelaide, 1.3 miles long, with the lap record of 56 secs held by B. S. Stillwell (Cooper Climax) and admission 6/-. The October AGP was listed for SA but the track was not defined – it would be at the new track at **Mallala** and now we come to the reason for this historic preamble!

This track was built to comply with new CAMS requirements re amenities, safety etc and A7CSA members worked for 12 weekends removing the existing grandstand at Pt Wakefield and rebuilding it at Mallala, ready for the successful opening meeting on 20 August with the AGP to follow on 9 October. (For more details again see **A7CSA 50 year publication** – p17-18).

The following photos show stages and members at work in the rebuilding at Mallala – unfortunately not all members can be identified today! (Note that the current grandstands are NOT the original one shown here).



1 Trevor Ellis welding. 2 Tony Grove gives Trevor the OK. 3 Trevor keeps at it, while Brian Munden (Left) and John Lemon (Centre) pose for posterity.



4 The night shift - Brian Munden (Centre) and Bruce Went bending over (Right).



5 Advertising sign ready for business!



6 Stairway to heaven.



7 Look what we've done Mum!!

Many thanks are due to Mrs Sue Alexander for the 1961 CAMS yearbook and to Bruce and Kay Berry for the Mallala photos.

Barry Frost



The Austin 7 Club's Association in the UK publishes a magazine devoted to the Austin 7. We refer to it as "the English Magazine."

The magazine has been revamped to give it a quality, historic appearance, using a beige coloured cover and buff pages. It's a very nicely presented magazine with interesting articles and photographs of the A7 from all over the world - the first edition this year has an article on a 1936 Australian tourer.

There are four issues per year and the cost to subscribers this year is \$25.00 for the year. If you would like to subscribe, please pay your money to Laurie. If you would like to see an example, Martin (our Secretary) has one to show you.

At the invitation of the family of our past member, Ian Schultz, a number of members have visited his orchard where quite a number of vehicles are stored and available for purchase. Many of the vehicles are in a various state of condition having been left in the open, however they may be useful as spare parts or for serious restoration. To have a look or make an offer please contact Max Schultz on 8390 0220 or 0411 068 287.. The Club will be negotiating with the family in regards to the many spare parts in the various sheds on the property.

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